

**E-mail: BAS 6L <overprinting> and Text – Counties with a CBAS Agreement**

**Subject: YYYY Boundary and Annexation Survey (BAS)- BAS ID: <BAS\_ID>**

<DATE>

“BAS ID:” <BAS\_ID>, <ENTITY\_NAME> <ENTITY\_LSAD\_PUB\_NAME>

The U.S. Census Bureau is now conducting the Boundary and Annexation Survey (BAS). Your government holds a Consolidated BAS (CBAS) agreement and reports to BAS on behalf of governments in the agreement. Do not miss this opportunity to participate in BAS to ensure that the Census Bureau has current and accurate legal boundary, name, and status information for your government and the governments in your CBAS agreement. Participants may also provide updates to census designated places.

BAS is a voluntary survey. We strongly encourage your participation in BAS for the following reasons:

- The Census Bureau uses this boundary information for data collection, tabulation, and dissemination for the decennial census, American Community Survey (ACS), Population Estimates Program (PEP), and many other censuses and surveys.
- The federal government allocates more than \$675 billion in federal funds annually for health, welfare, infrastructure, education, and other federal programs and services. Correct boundaries ensure governments receive funds appropriately and have the best data available for their decision-making processes.

**Action Step:**

- **Review the boundaries for your government and the governments in your CBAS agreement and respond to BAS** using our interactive BAS Annual Response Form. The form includes all resources and instructions to review boundaries and respond to BAS.

[Go to BAS Annual Response Form](#)

**TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**

The Census Bureau is offering training webinars for BAS. The webinar schedule and registration instructions are on the [BAS Webinars webpage](#).

**KEY DATES**

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| <b>January 1</b> | Boundary updates must be legally in effect on or before this date to be reported in the current survey year.                            |
| <b>March 1</b>   | First BAS deadline - Boundary updates returned by this date will be reflected in the ACS and PEP data and in next year’s BAS materials. |
| <b>May 31</b>    | Final BAS deadline - Boundary updates returned by this date will be reflected in next year’s BAS materials.                             |

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Thank you for your participation in BAS.